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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Contemporaneous with the filing of this case and prior to calculation of the filing fee, kindly amend as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

After the title please insert the following

paragraph:

REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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--The present application is the national stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 of international application PCT/JP99/06867, filed 08 December 1999 which designated the United States, and which application was not published in the English language.--

In re of: Minoru CDA et al. (UEDA 3)

REMARKS

The above amendment to the specification is being made to insert reference to the PCT application of which the present case is a U.S. national stage

Favorable consideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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